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SUBJ: PETROLEUM BUNKERS IN TURKEY FOR US FLAG VESSELS

REFS: ANKARA 616; STATE 14088; IZMIR 035.

1. AMCONSULATE GENERAL IZMIR FEBRUARY 5 INFORMED EMBASSY THAT ALIAGA REFINERY IS PREPARED SUPPLY ACADEMY TANKERS VESSEL "THOMAS Q" WITH ALL BUNKERS NEEDED. HOWEVER, SHIP REPRESENTATIVES DISSATISFIED WITH PRICE. ACADEMY VICE PRESIDENT CHRISTIANSEN AND LOCAL AGENT DABCOVITZ THEN INFORMED EMBASSY ALIAGA REFINERY QUOTED PRICE IS 143 DOLLARS/TON. COMPANY HAD GOT QUOTATIONS FROM US OFFICES OF CHEVRON AND MOBIL THAT THEY ARE PROVIDING BUNKERS TO THEIR REGULAR CUSTOMERS IN TURKISH PORTS AT 71 DOLLARS/TON. LOCAL DISTRIBUTORS OF CHEVRON AND MOBIL BECAUSE OF LIMITED AVAILABILITY, HOWEVER, ONLY ABLE PROVIDE THOMAS Q WITH APPROXIMATELY 600 BARRELS, WHEREAS REQUIREMENT IS FOR ABOUT 10,000 BARRELS.

2. ECONOMIC/COMMERCIAL COUNSELOR IMMEDIATELY ASKED
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ASSISTANCE OF MINISTRY FOREIGN AFFAIRS (SAVASCI) WHICH PROMISED

LOOK INTO MATTER IMMEDIATELY AND AGREED THAT US VESSEL SHOULD
PAY NO MORE THAN CURRENT MARKET PRICE, WHICH HOWEVER SUBJECT
TO FLUCTUATIONS DUE TO VARYING PRICES AT WHICH CRUDE OIL OBTAINED.
FEBRUARY 6 SAVASCI INFORMED EMBASSY HE HAD SPOKEN WITH
SENIOR OFFICIALS OF STATE PETROLEUM COMPANY TPAO WHO HAD
BEEN IN TOUCH WITH OZES/MARKETING MANAGER AT ALIAGA REFINERY.
THEY SUGGESTED THAT ACADEMY TANKERS REPRESENTATIVE GET IN
TOUCH DIRECTLY WITH Y
H MARKETING MANAGER. TPAO FELT THAT
PRICE QUOTED WAS A FAIR MARKET PRICE REFLECTING COST OF CRUDE.
HOWEVER, PRICE WAS SUBJECT TO SOME VARIATION DEPENDING ON
QUANTITY NEEDED AND DATES. TURKISH REPRESENTATIVE OF ACADEMY
TANKERS HAD APPARENTLY NOT MADE CLEAR TO ALIAGA REFINERY THAT
US VESSEL WAS ALREADY IN PORT AND LOOKING FOR BUNKERS IN NEXT
FEW DAYS. MINISTRY FOREIGN AFFAIRS HAS BEEN MOST WILLING AND
PROMPT TO HELP ON THIS, BUT POINTS OUT THAT EFFECTIVENESS OF THEIR
INTERVENTION IS LIMITED BY UNCERTAINTIES OF CRUDE SUPPLY AND
IRREGULARITIES IN PRICE AT WHICH TURKISH REFINERIES PURCHASE
CRUDE.
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